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PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD  
ON PROPOSED PLAN SITE 19 FORMER DERECKTOR SHIPYARD OFF-SHORE MARINE  
SEDIMENT OPERABLE UNIT 5 (OU 5) ON-SHORE SOIL AND GROUNDWATER OPERABLE  
UNIT 12 (OU 12) NS NEWPORT RI  
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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY  
AND**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

**Proposed Plans for Site 19 Former Derecktor Shipyard  
Off-Shore Marine Sediments (Operable Unit 5)  
On-Shore Soil and Groundwater (Operable Unit 12)  
Naval Station Newport, Rhode Island**

The U.S. Navy encourages the public to comment on the Proposed Plans for each of the on-shore and off-shore portions of Site 19 - Former Derecktor Shipyard, located at Naval Station Newport, Rhode Island. The off-shore portion of Site 19 consists of contaminated marine sediments and is tracked as Operable Unit (OU) 5 by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The on-shore portion of Site 19 consists of both soil and groundwater and is tracked as OU12. The Plans propose the following remedies for OU5 and OU12 at Site 19 under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA): the proposed off-shore (OU5) marine sediment remedy includes dredging at targeted open water locations, placement of a cover over targeted areas under Pier 2, and implementing land use controls to prevent exposure to asbestos potentially present in dredged sediment and to prevent disturbance of the sediment cover under Pier 2; the proposed on-shore (OU12) soil remedy includes installation and/or maintenance of covers and barriers (soil and/or pavement), as well as land use controls to prevent exposure to soil contaminants; and the proposed on-shore (OU12) groundwater remedy includes monitored natural attenuation, which includes long-term monitoring of groundwater to verify that natural attenuation is reducing concentrations of contaminants, as well as land use controls to prevent exposure to groundwater contaminants.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

The Navy invites interested members of the public to review and comment on these Proposed Plans during a 30-day Public Comment Period, from May 21 to June 20, 2014. Public comments submitted in writing must be postmarked or emailed no later than June 20, 2014. If you have any questions or wish to comment on this project, please contact Ms. Lisa Rama of the Navy Public Affairs Office at (401) 841-3538.

**PUBLIC MEETING**

The Navy will host a Public Meeting to present and discuss the Proposed Plans and will accept comments during a Public Hearing. The Public Meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m.

Date: Wednesday, May 21, 2014      Location: The Courtyard by Marriott,  
Time: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.      Newport Middletown Hotel  
9 Commerce Drive, Middletown, RI

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

The Proposed Plans are being issued to the Naval Station Newport community mailing list. The Plans, as well as other documents pertinent to the environmental investigations at Site 19 - Former Derecktor Shipyard and Naval Station Newport are available for review in the Administrative Record at <http://go.usa.gov/DyNw>.